

Soils & Water Testing

Laytonville Rancheria - 2017

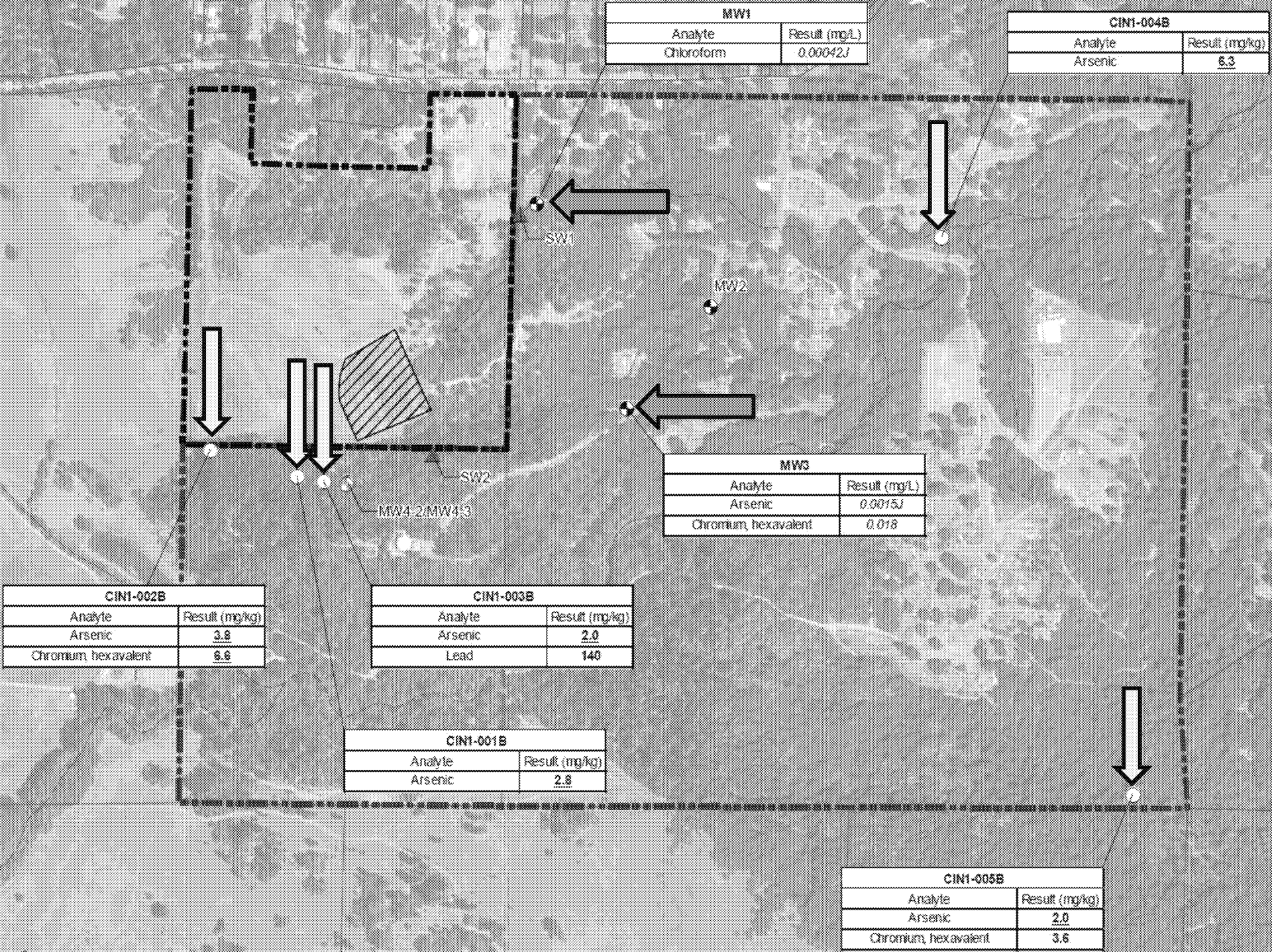


Introduction

- Introduction of Federal and State Attendees
- Handouts – Definition of Terms
- Background Information
- Drinking Water – Tap Water Tests and Results
- Soil Tests and Results

Background Information

- December 2016 – Tribal contractor (Ahtna) report presented to Agency.
 - Soil tests identified Arsenic, Hexavalent Chromium, and Lead at five sites.
 - Water tests identified Arsenic, Hexavalent Chromium, Lead, and Chloroform at two sites (Old Groundwater Monitoring Wells).



Background Information – (Con't.)

- Ahtna Report Soil Test Results:
 - Soil Sample CINI-001B:
 - Arsenic detected at 2.8 mg/kg
 - Soil Sample CINI-002B:
 - Arsenic detected at 3.8 mg/kg
 - Hexavalent Chromium detected at 6.6 mg/kg.
 - Soil Sample CINI-003B:
 - Arsenic detected at 3.8 mg/kg
 - Lead detected at 140 mg/kg.

Background Information – (Con't.)

- Soil Sample CINI-004B:
 - Arsenic detected at 6.3 mg/kg.

- Soil Sample CINI-005B:
 - Arsenic detected at 2.0 mg/kg
 - Hexavalent Chromium detected at 3.6 mg/kg

Background Information – (Con't.)

- July 2017 – Contract Awarded for testing of soils and tap water on Rancheria.
 - Soils Testing – Phase I & Phase II (if warranted)
 - Soils Testing – Phase III – Metals & Hexavalent Chromium
 - Water – One Test – Residential Taps

Tap Water Testing





Tap Water

Testing Approach Methodology

- Rancheria has been connected to district water system since 1970's.
- Twenty-two homes were selected by the tribe.
- Samples were also taken at the supply tank and tribal office.
- Samples were tested for 42 constituents or “analytes”.
- Federal and State Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs) standards apply.

Testing Parameters – Tap Water

- **Types of Analytes:**

- Specific Conductance
- Metals (18)
- Mercury
- Anions (5)
- Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC's – 1)
- Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds (SVOC's - 1)
- Alkalinity, Total Dissolved Solids
- Cyanide, pH Level, Asbestos
- Perchlorate, Color, Turbidity, Odor
- MBA's (Methylene Blue Active Substances)
- Hexavalent Chromium

Legend



TapWater_Sites



Rancheria Boundary



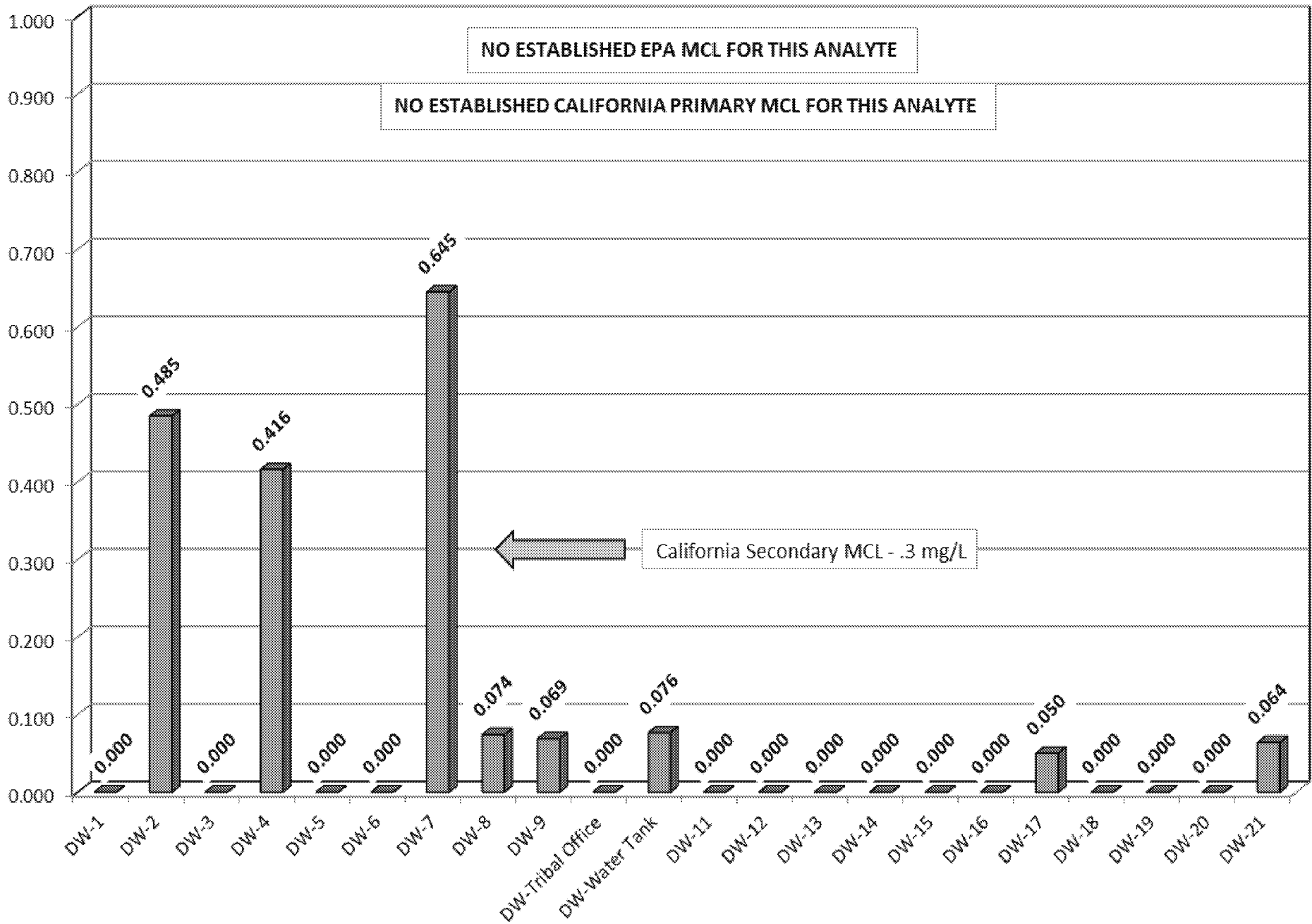
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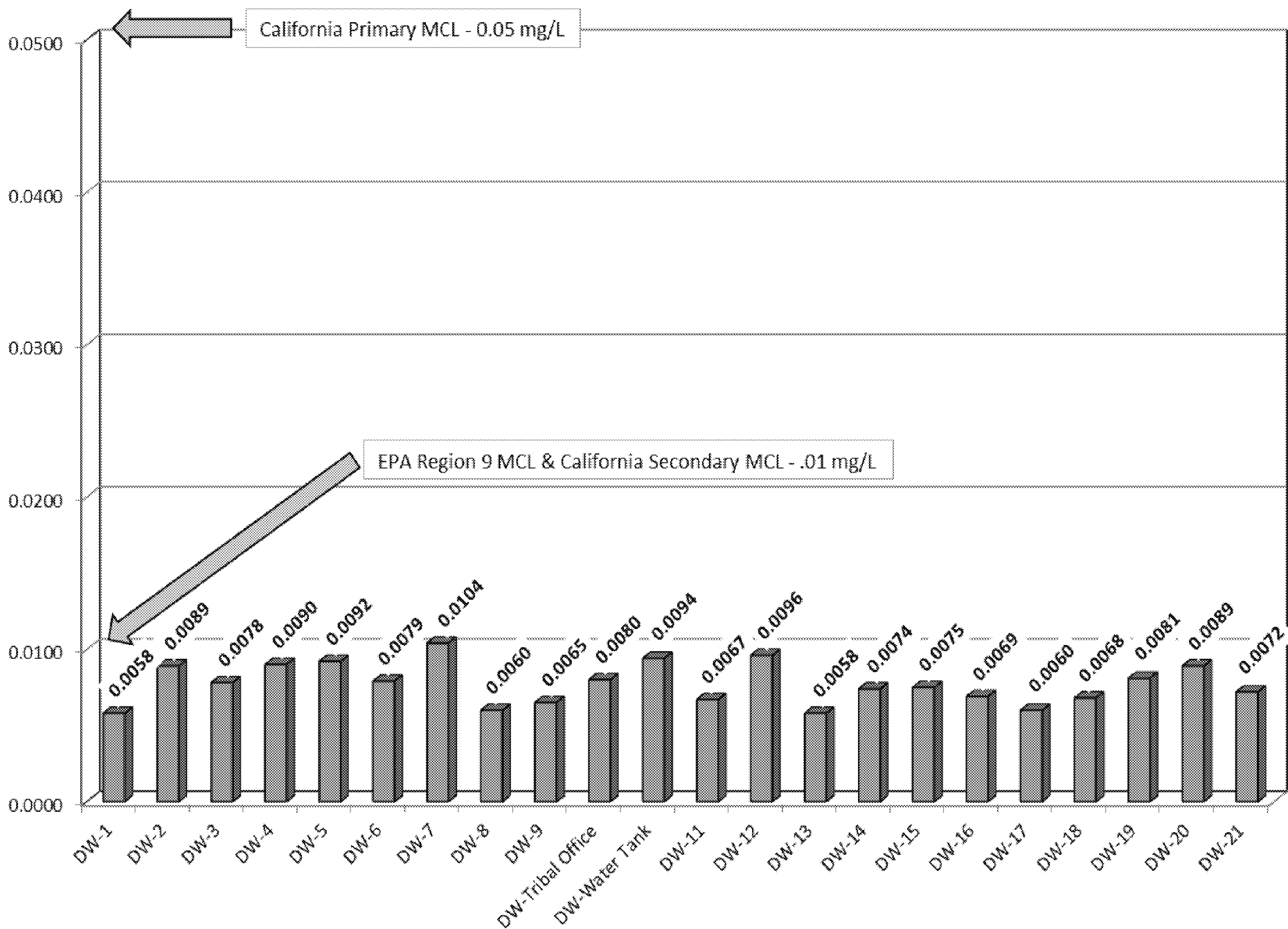
Tap Water Test Results – Overall

- Only 2 analyte MCLs were exceeded:
 - 3 sites exceeded the CA Secondary MCL for Iron.
 - 1 site for exceeded the EPA Regional MCL and CA Secondary MCL for Arsenic.

Tap Water Samples - Iron - mg/L



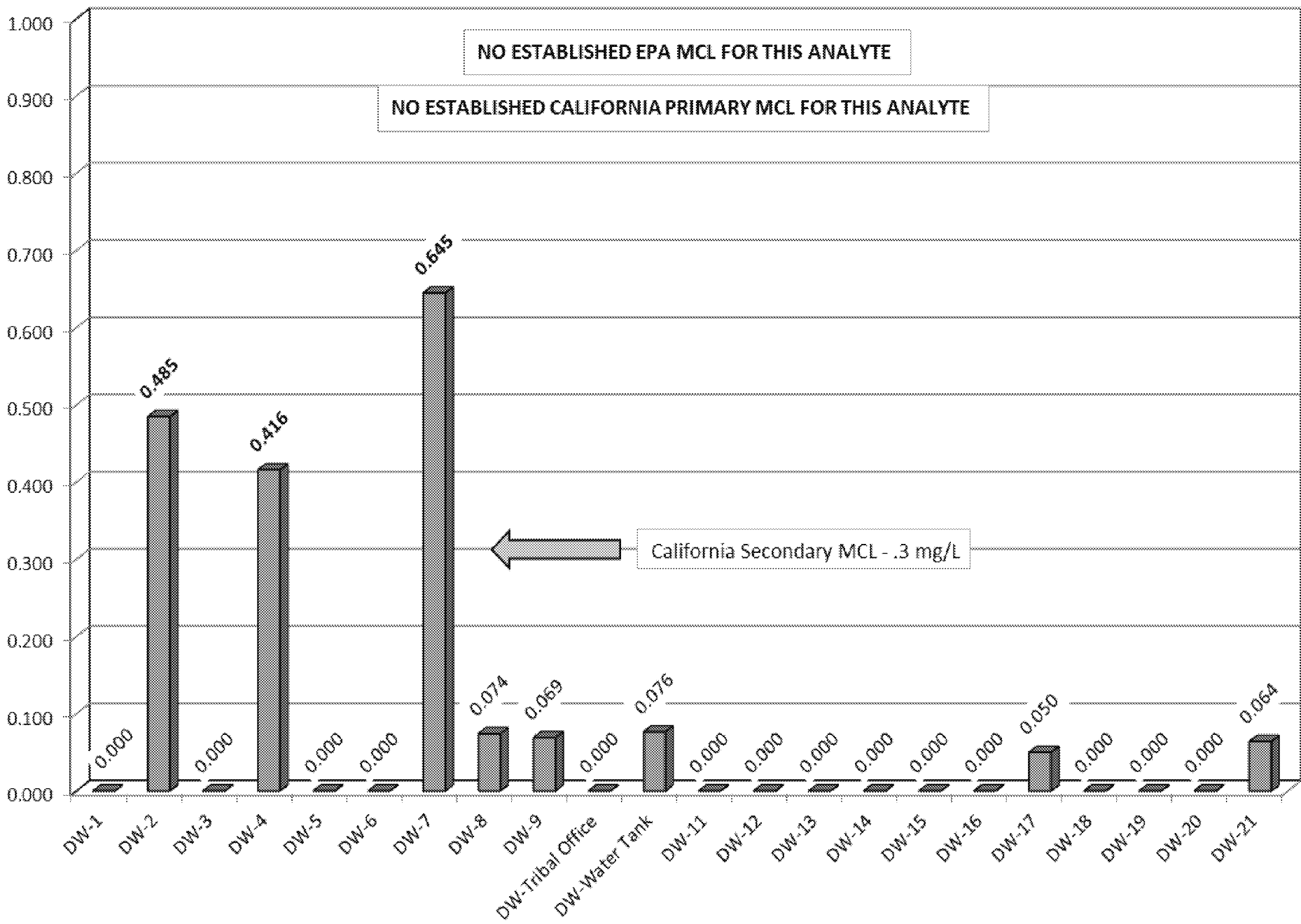
Tap Water Samples - Arsenic - mg/L



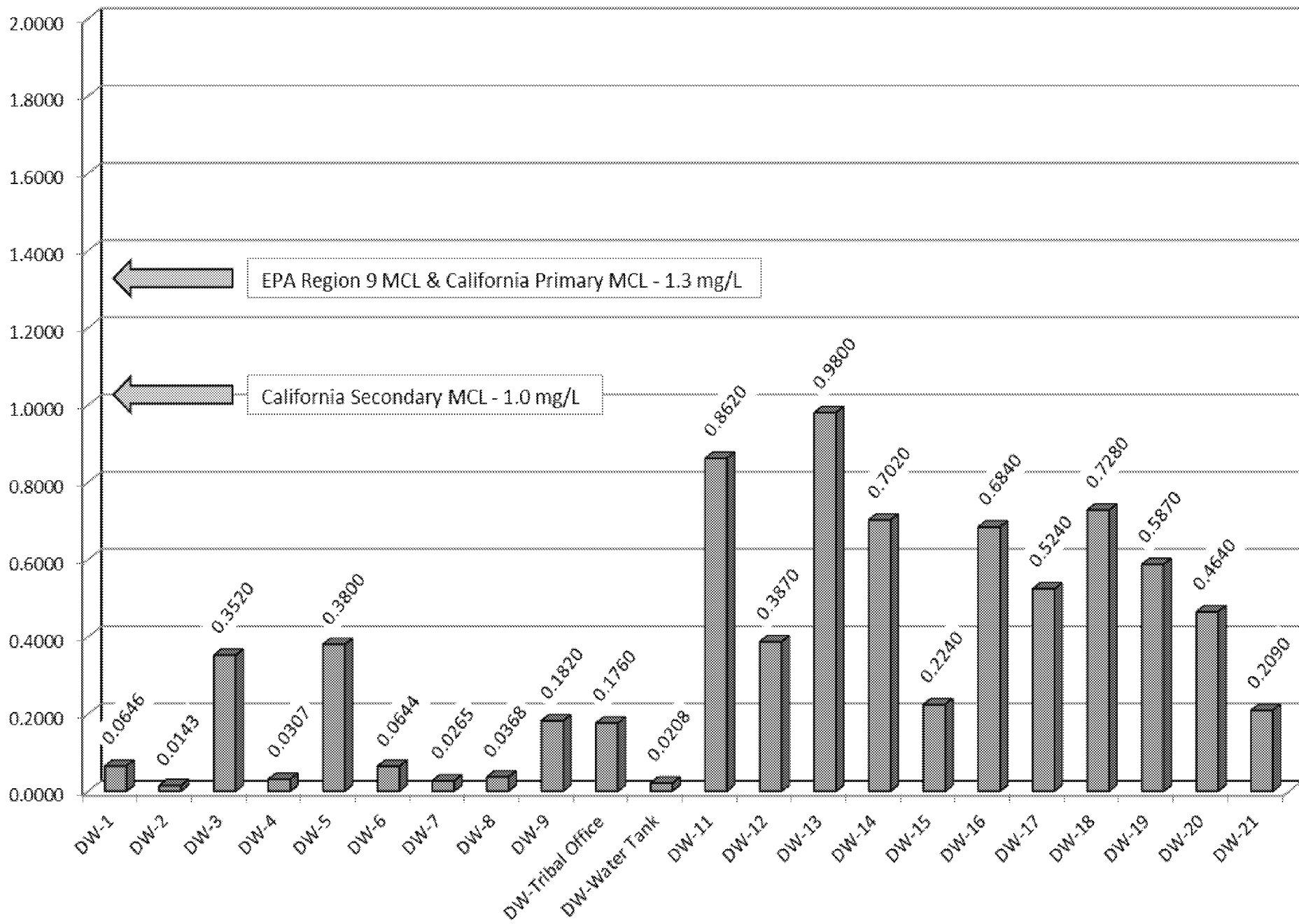
Tap Water Test Results

- Dielectric Effect – Galvanic Corrosion
 - Mismatched plumbing components – Copper and Galvanized Steel or Iron.
 - Causes leaching of elements, such as Iron, to accumulate inside of pipe and into the water itself and could lead to pipe failure.

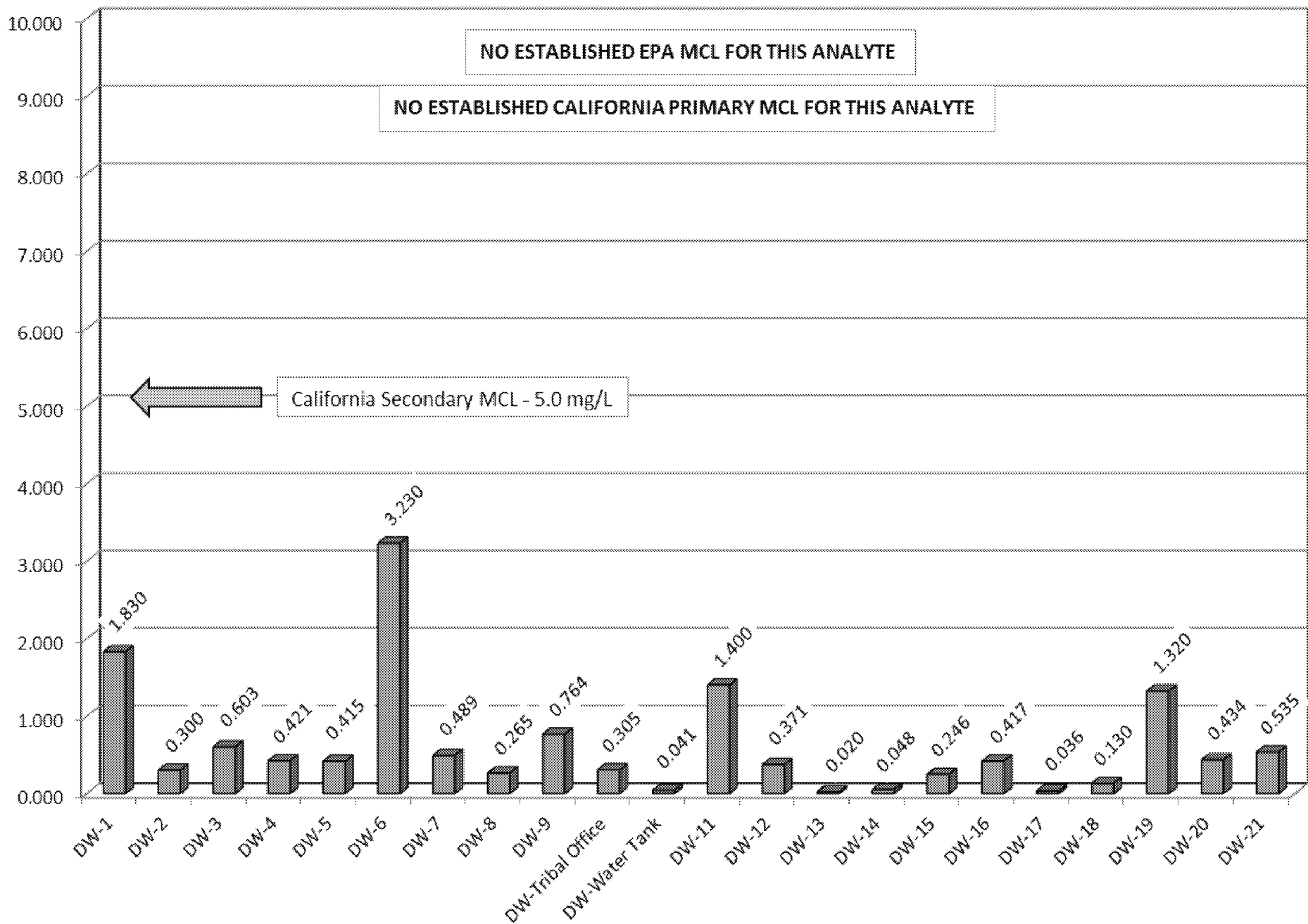
Tap Water Samples - Iron - mg/L



Tap Water Samples - Copper - mg/L



Tap Water Samples - Zinc - mg/L



Tap Water Test Results

- Corrosion Prevention Methods:
 - Using grounding rods instead of grounding to a water line.
 - Using Dielectric Couplings help prevent Galvanic Corrosion.
 - Wrapping water lines in plastic or rubber prevents galvanic corrosion. Wrapping prevents stray current from being conducted by pipes.

Tap Water Test Results

- Laytonville Water District
 - District test results are consistent with our test results for Arsenic and Hexavalent Chromium.
 - Low levels of Arsenic.
 - Hexavalent Chromium was not detected.
- Individual test results can be mailed upon written request.



Questions?

Soil Testing





Soils – Phase I

Testing Approach Methodology

- Tribal land divided into 20 testing areas or Quadrants:
 - Broad in scope (shotgun approach)
 - Five samples per quadrant – 100 samples total
 - 100 samples combined into 20 composite samples

Legend



Quadrants



Rancheria Boundary

Quad 05

Quad 09

Quad 13

Quad 17

Quad 10

Quad 14

Quad 18

Quad 06

Quad 07

Quad 15

Quad 19

Quad 01

Quad 03

Quad 11

White Spring

Quad 04

Quad 08

Quad 12

Quad 16

Quad 20

Quad 02

Legend

● Proposed Sample Location

□ Quadrants

□ Rancheria Boundary



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Legend

● Actual Sample Location

□ Quadrants

□ Rancheria Boundary



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Testing Parameters - Soil

- Tested for 196 Compounds or “Analytes”
- Federal EPA Testing Protocols used.
- Standard is Regional Screening Level (RSL)

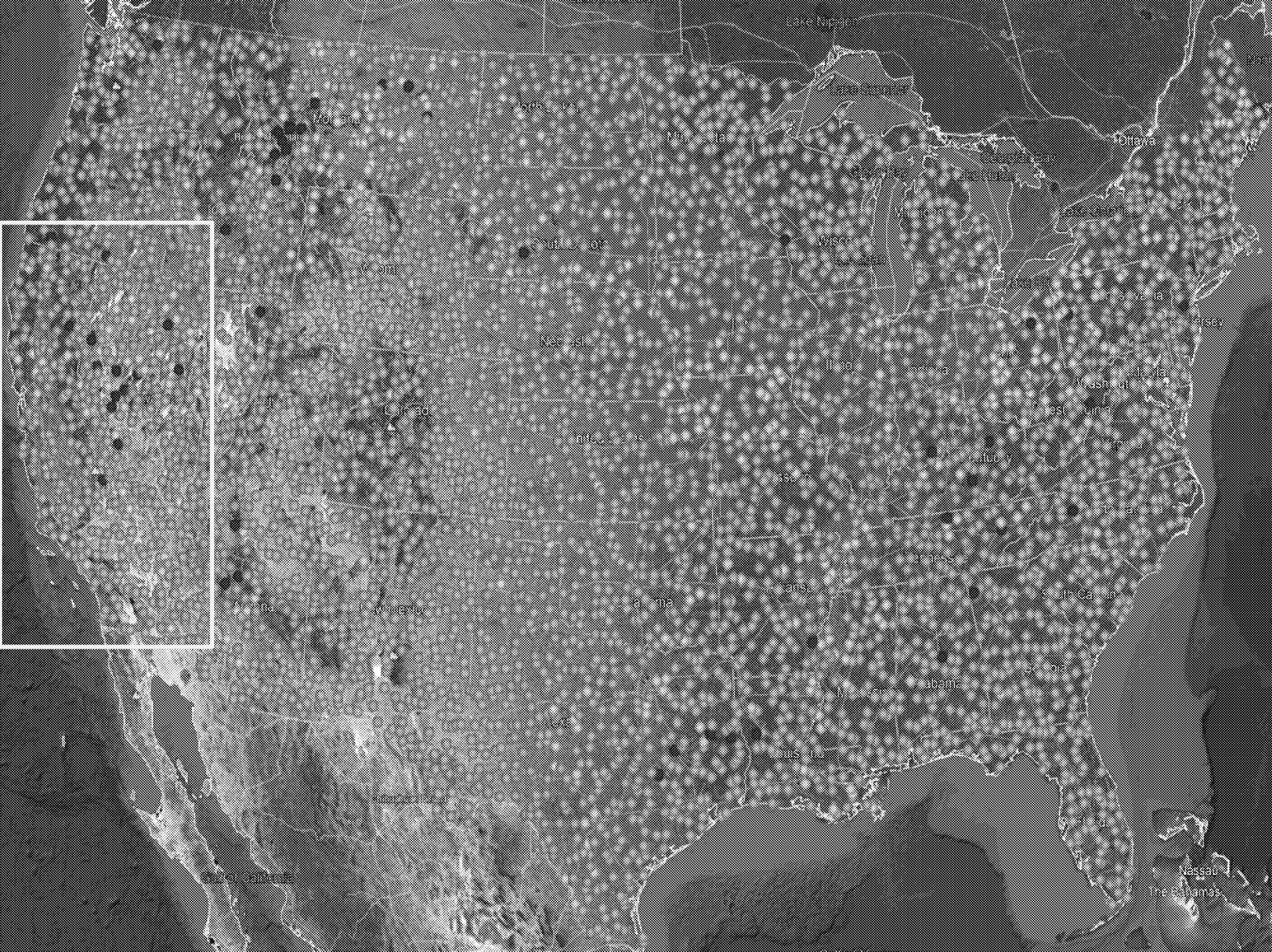
Testing Parameters - Soil

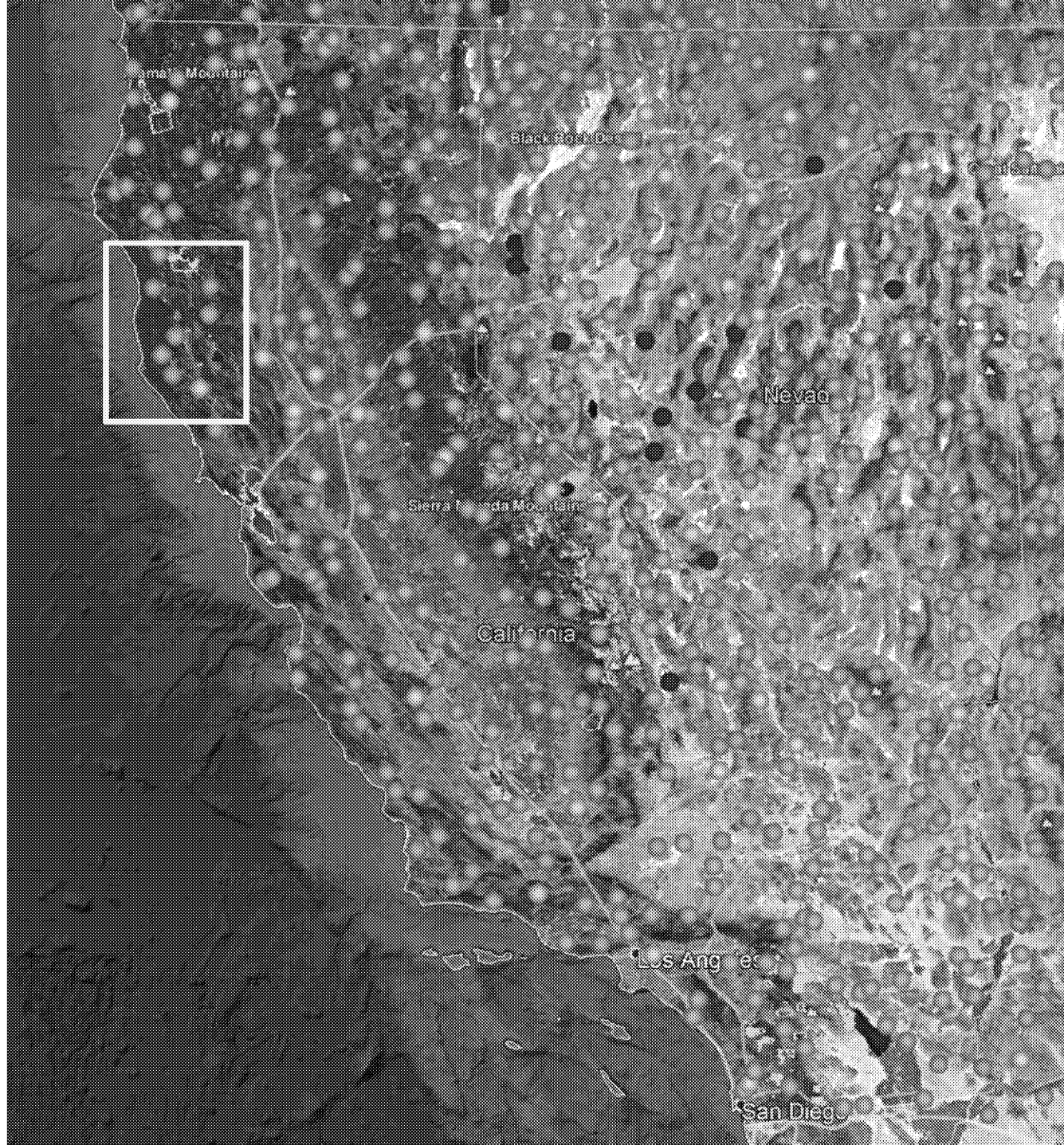
- **Types of Analytes:**

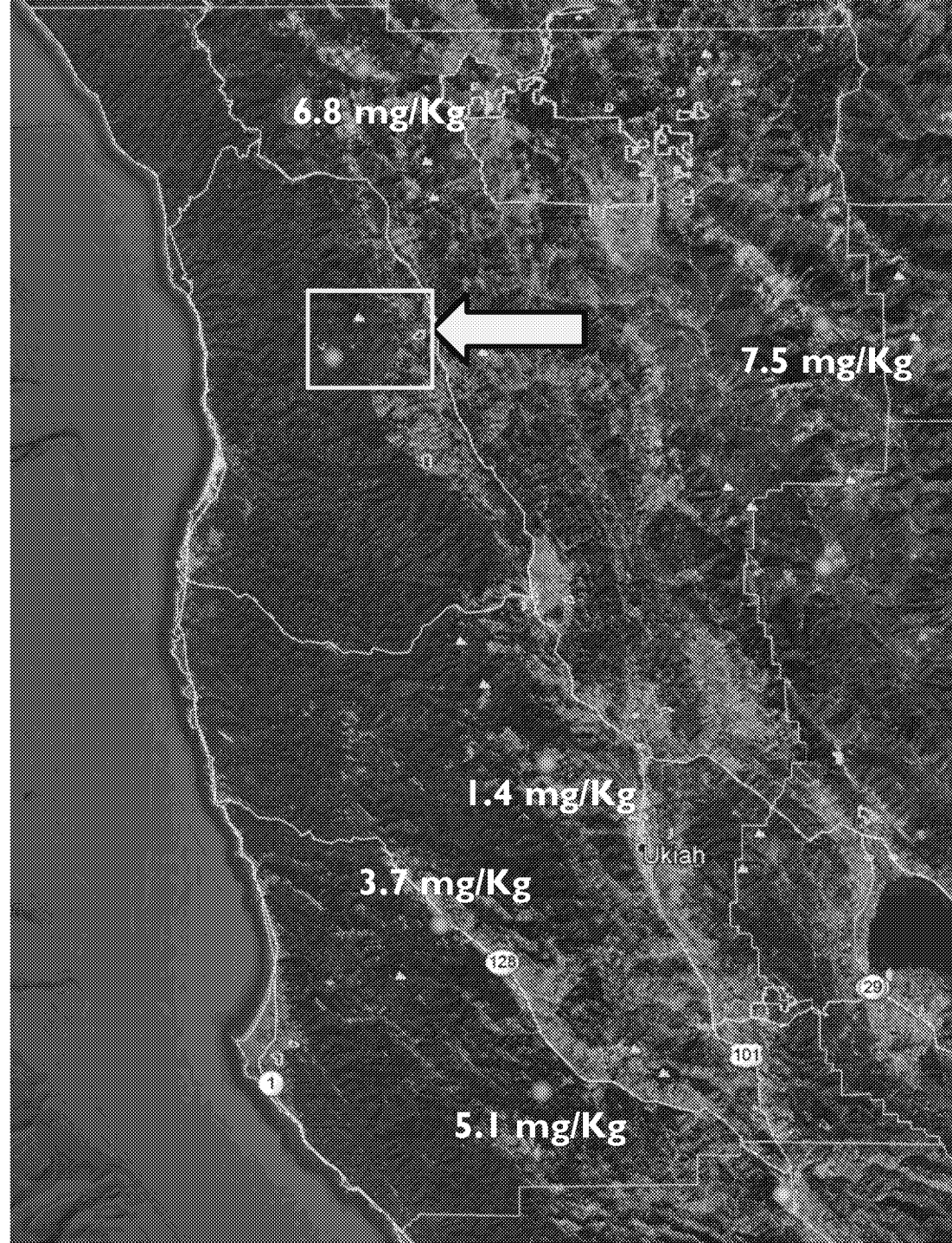
- Petroleum Hydrocarbons (4)
- Metals (18) (Includes Hexavalent Chromium)
- Polychlorinated biphenyl's (PCB's) (7)
- Chlorinated Herbicides (10)
- Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC's) (30)
- Low Level Semi-Volatiles (20)
- Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (48)
- Organochlorine Pesticides (22)
- Dioxins/Furans (17)
- Perfluorinated Chemicals (PFCs) (2)
- Moisture Percentage

Phase I Test Results – Soil

- Based on test results, two concerns came forth: Arsenic levels and Dioxin Toxicity.
- Hexavalent Chromium (aka Chromium 6) was not detected.
- Arsenic was detected above the RSL of .68 mg/kg.
- Arsenic is a naturally occurring background element.







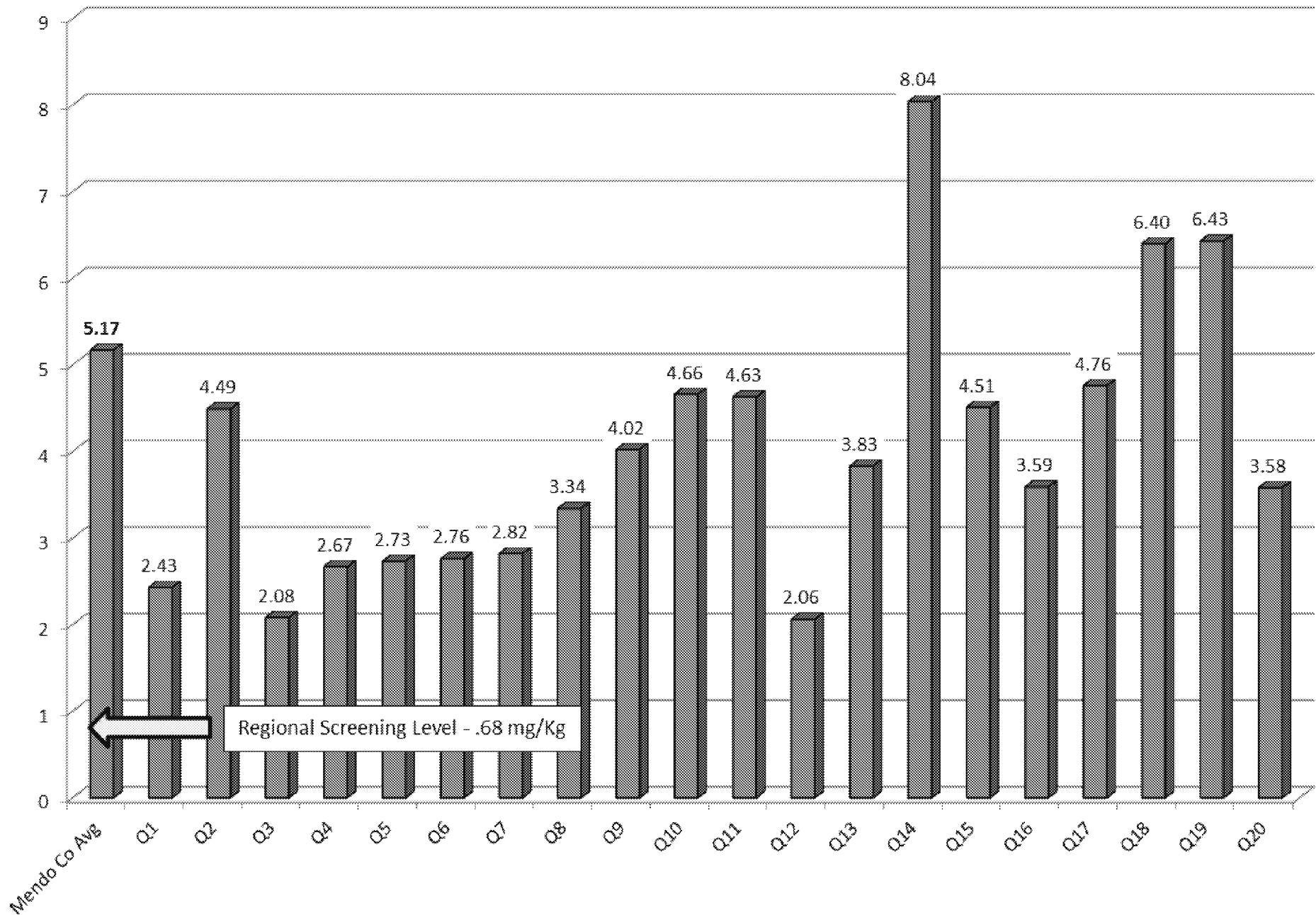


Branscomb

6.5 mg/kg

Branscomb Rd

Arsenic



Legend

Arsenic

2.06 - 2.08

2.43 - 2.82

3.34 - 4.02

4.49 - 4.76

6.40 - 8.04

Rancheria Boundary

Quad 05

2.73

Quad 09

4.02

Quad 13

3.83

Quad 17

4.76

Quad 10

4.66

Quad 14

8.04

Quad 18

6.4

Quad 06

2.76

Quad 07

2.82

2.43

Quad 01

2.08

Quad 03

Quad 02

4.49

Quad 04

2.67

Quad 08

3.34

4.63

Quad 11

Quad 12

2.06

Quad 15

4.51

Quad 16

3.59

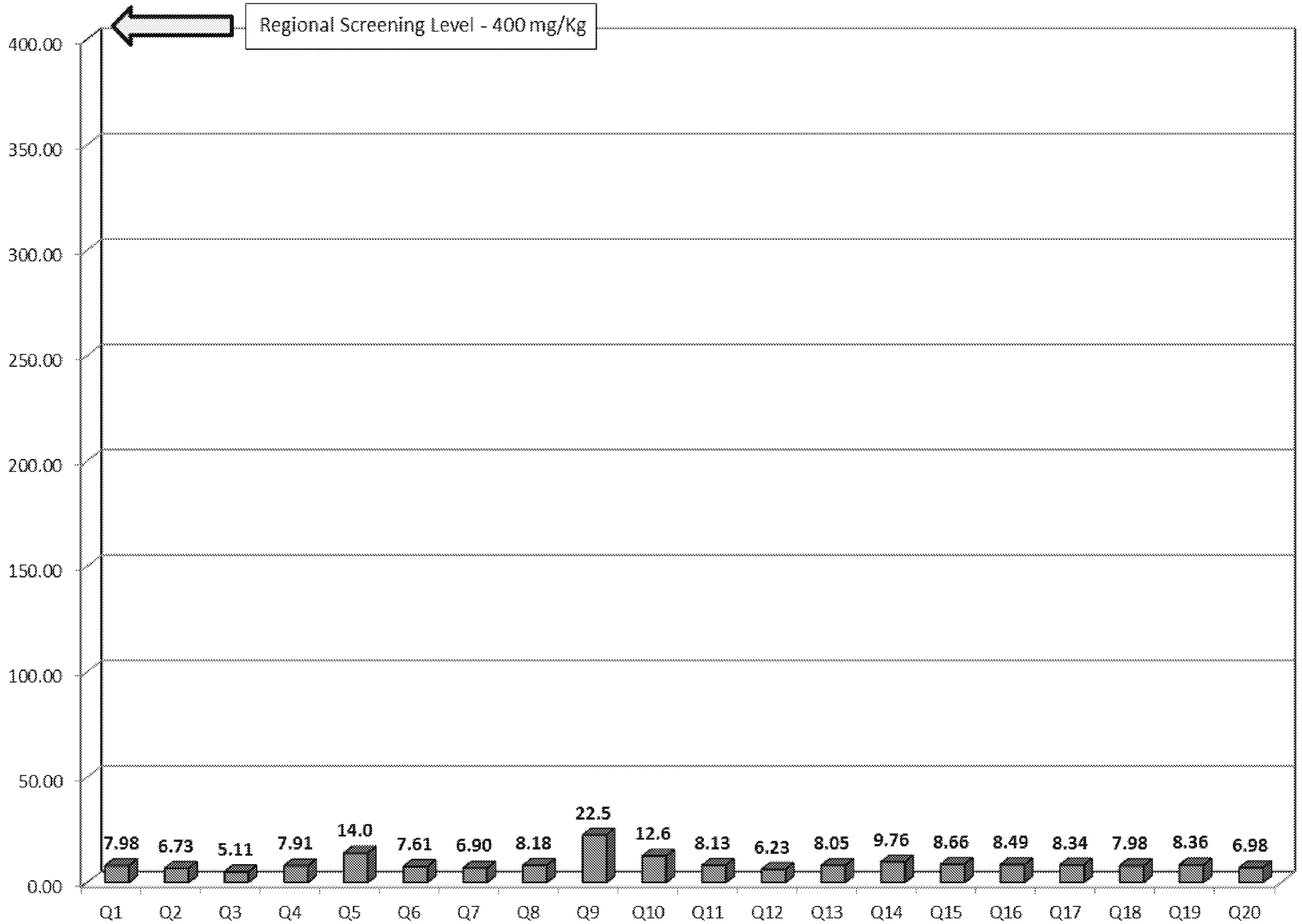
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Quad 19

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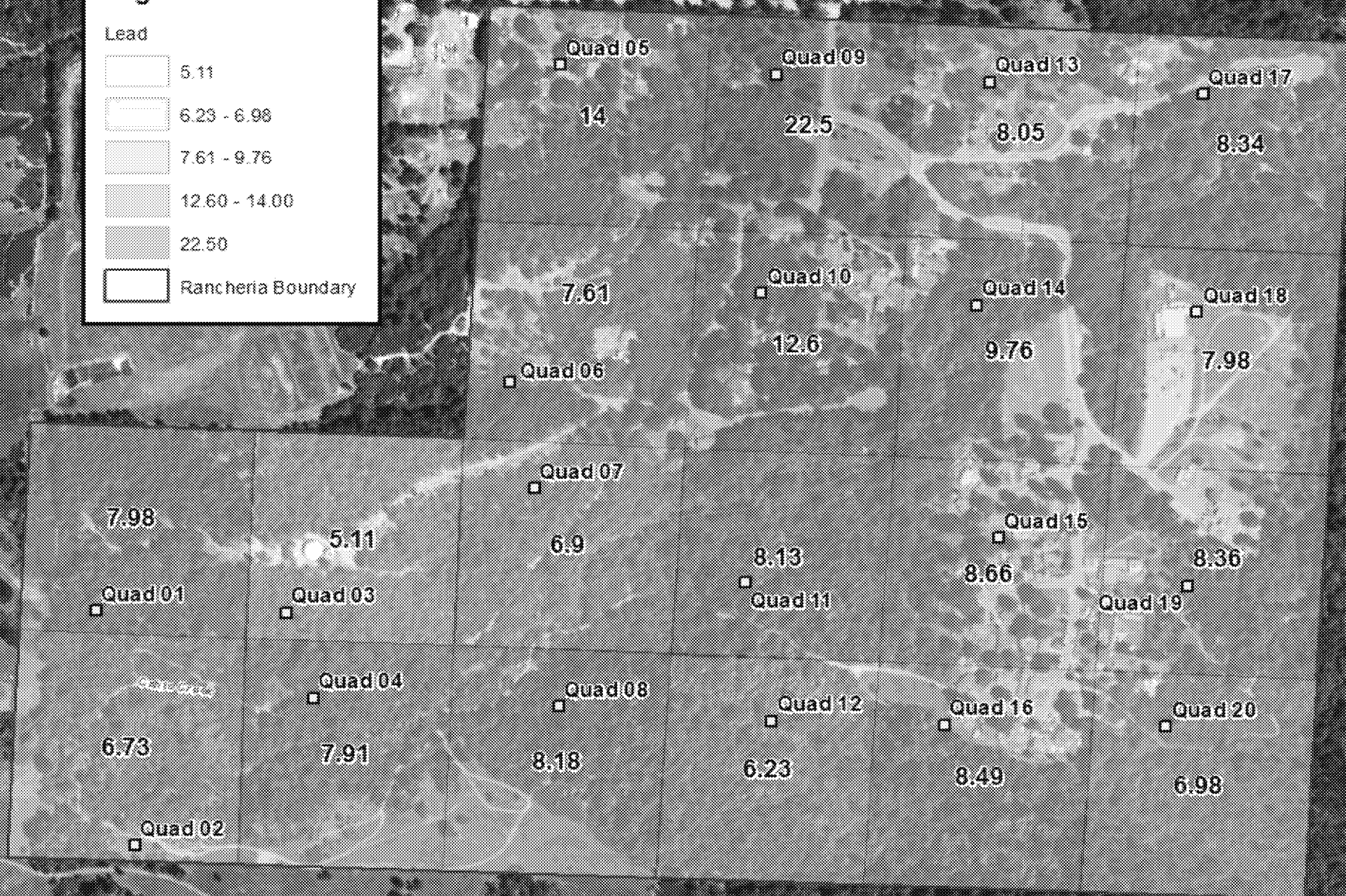
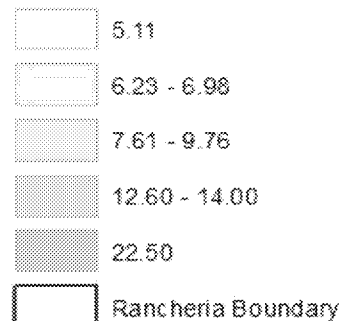
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Lead



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Lead



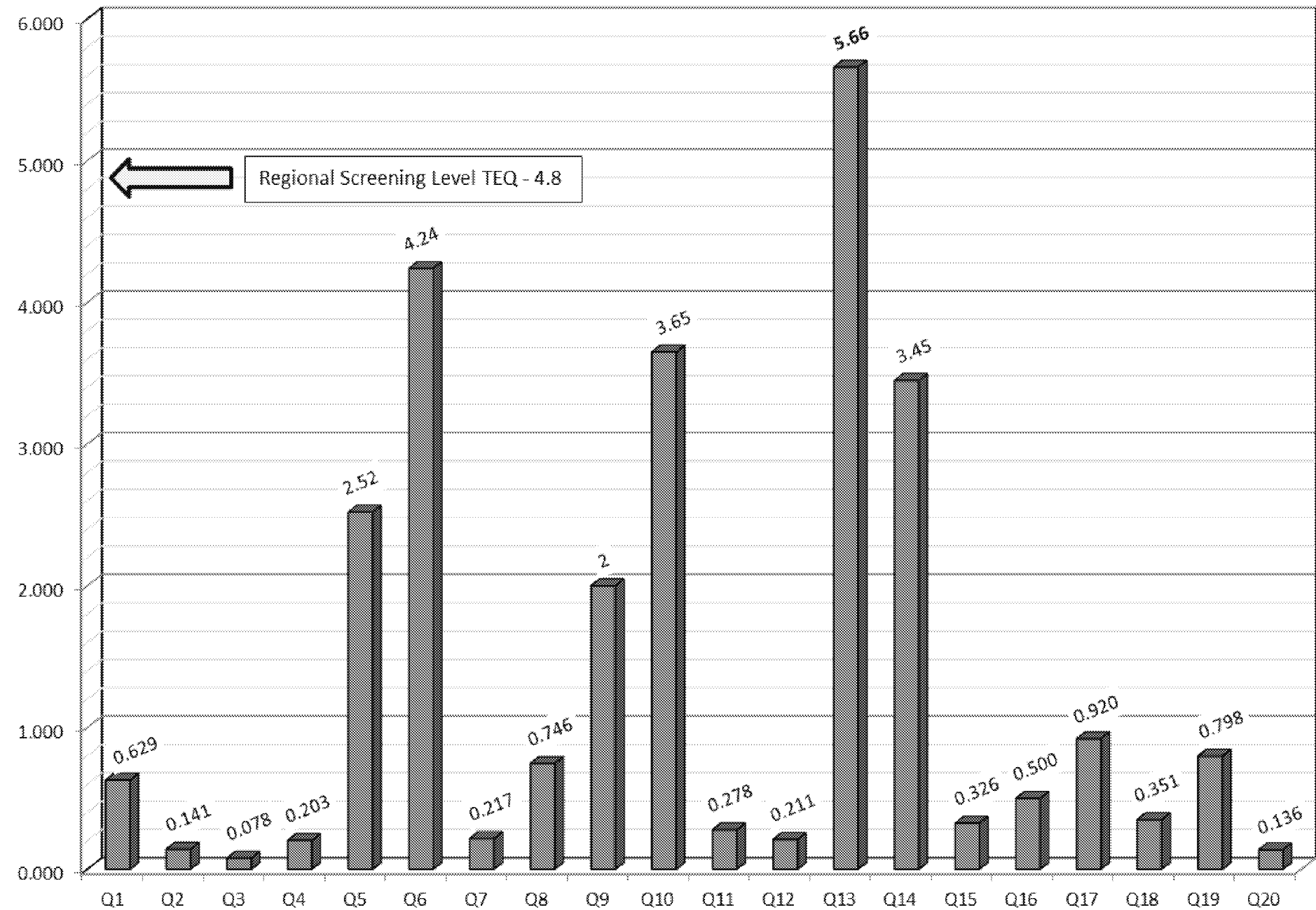
Dioxins/Furans

- Soils tested for 17 compounds.
 - 7 Dioxin Compounds
 - 10 Furan Compounds
- Contamination level expressed a Toxicity Equivalency Quotient (TEQ)
- Regional Screening Level TEQ – 4.8

Dioxins/Furans - TEQ

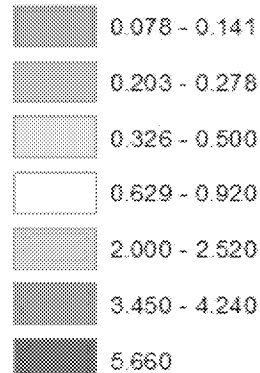
- A TEQ rating is a weighted quantity measure based on the toxicity of each member of the dioxin and dioxin-like compounds category relative to the most toxic members of the category.

Toxicity Equivalency Quotient (TEQ) - Dioxins/Furans



Legend

Dioxin TEQ



This map illustrates the Toxicity Equivalent Quotients (TEQ) by quadrant.

The TEQ RSL for Dioxins/Furans is 4.8.

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Questions?

Phase II Testing - Soil

- Phase II testing would be implemented if a high level of contamination was found.
- Phase II testing samples were not composite samples, but individual samples and were tested as individual samples.
- Provides more precision in terms of location only.
- Phase II testing conducted in residential areas only.

Phase II Testing - Soil

- Soils were tested for:
 - Title 22 Metals
 - Antimony, Arsenic, Barium, Beryllium, Cadmium, Chromium, Cobalt, Copper, Lead, Molybdenum, Nickel, Selenium, Silver, Thallium, Vanadium, Zinc, Mercury, and Hexavalent Chromium
 - Dioxins/Furans

Phase II Testing Results

- Arsenic was only analyte that had levels above RSL of .68 mg/Kg.
- Based on 65 soil sampling sites, Arsenic level average on tribal land is 4.22 mg/Kg with a low of 1.58 and a high of 10.30.
- USGS soil data for Mendocino County – Arsenic content average is 5.17 mg/Kg.

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Arsenic

2.06 - 2.08

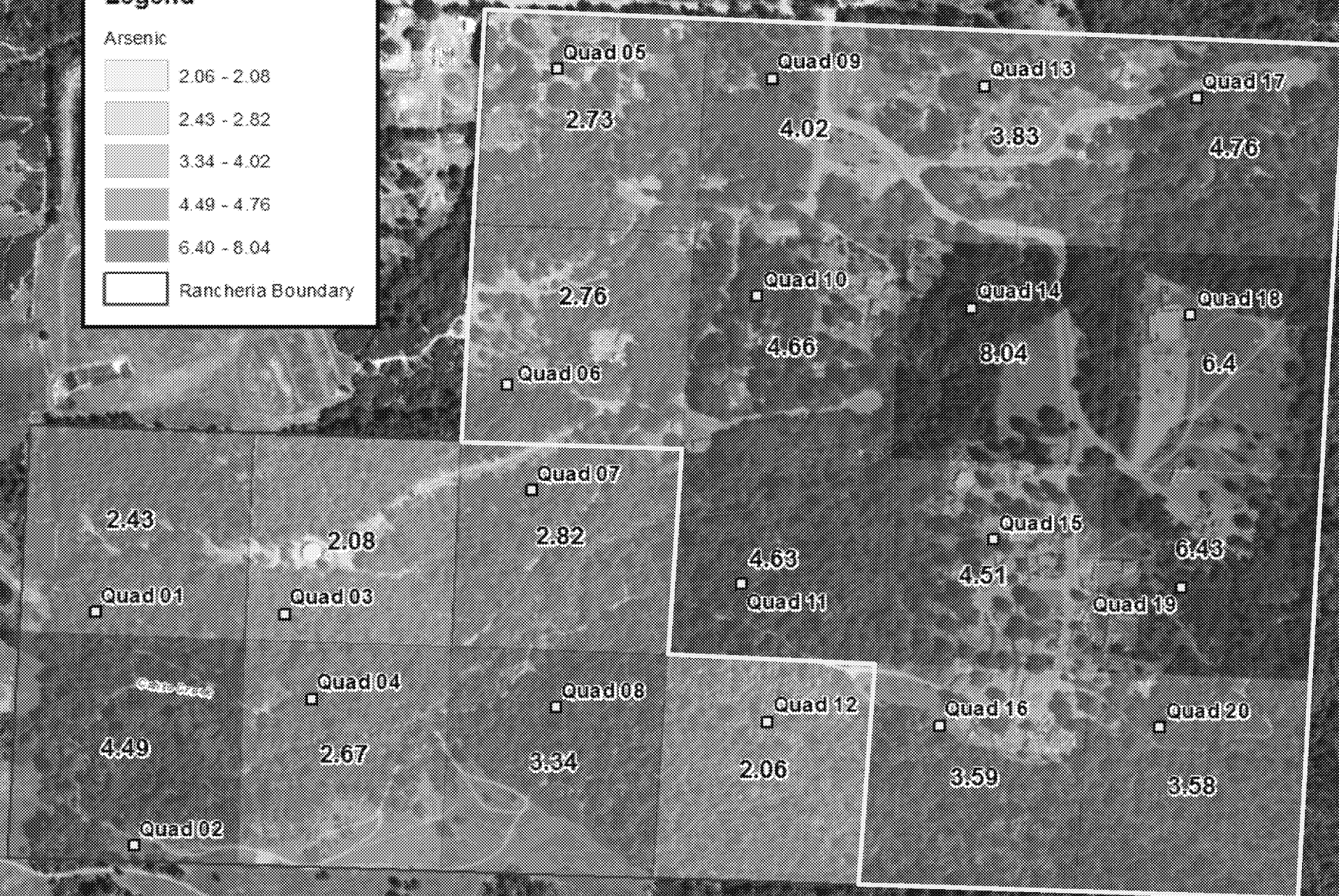
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6.40 - 8.04

Rancheria Boundary



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Legend

● Phase II Sample Locations - Arsenic

□ Phase II Testing Quadrants

□ Rancheria Boundary

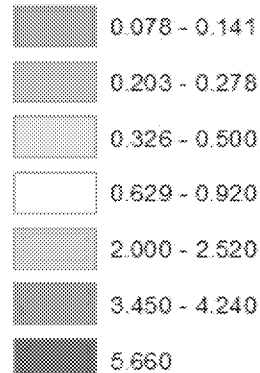


Phase II Test Results

- 45 soil samples were taken and tested for Dioxin/Furan toxicity levels.
- 5 locations had a TEQ higher than RSL of 4.8.

Legend

Dioxin TEQ



This map illustrates the Toxicity Equivalent Quotients (TEQ) by quadrant.

The TEQ RSL for Dioxins/Furans is 4.8.

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Legend

● Phase II Sample Locations - Dioxins/Furans

□ Phase II Testing - Dioxin/Furan

□ Rancheria Boundary



Legend

- High TEQ Locations
- Phase II Testing - Dioxin/Furan
- Rancheria Boundary



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Phase III Testing - Soil

- Phase III testing was initiated to test two specific locations where high levels of Hexavalent Chromium was found by Ahtna (tribal contractor).
- 50 individual samples were taken including the locations where the detection of Hexavalent Chromium was detected.
- 25 samples at site CINI-002B
- 25 samples at site CINI-005B

Phase III Testing - Soil

- Soils were tested for:

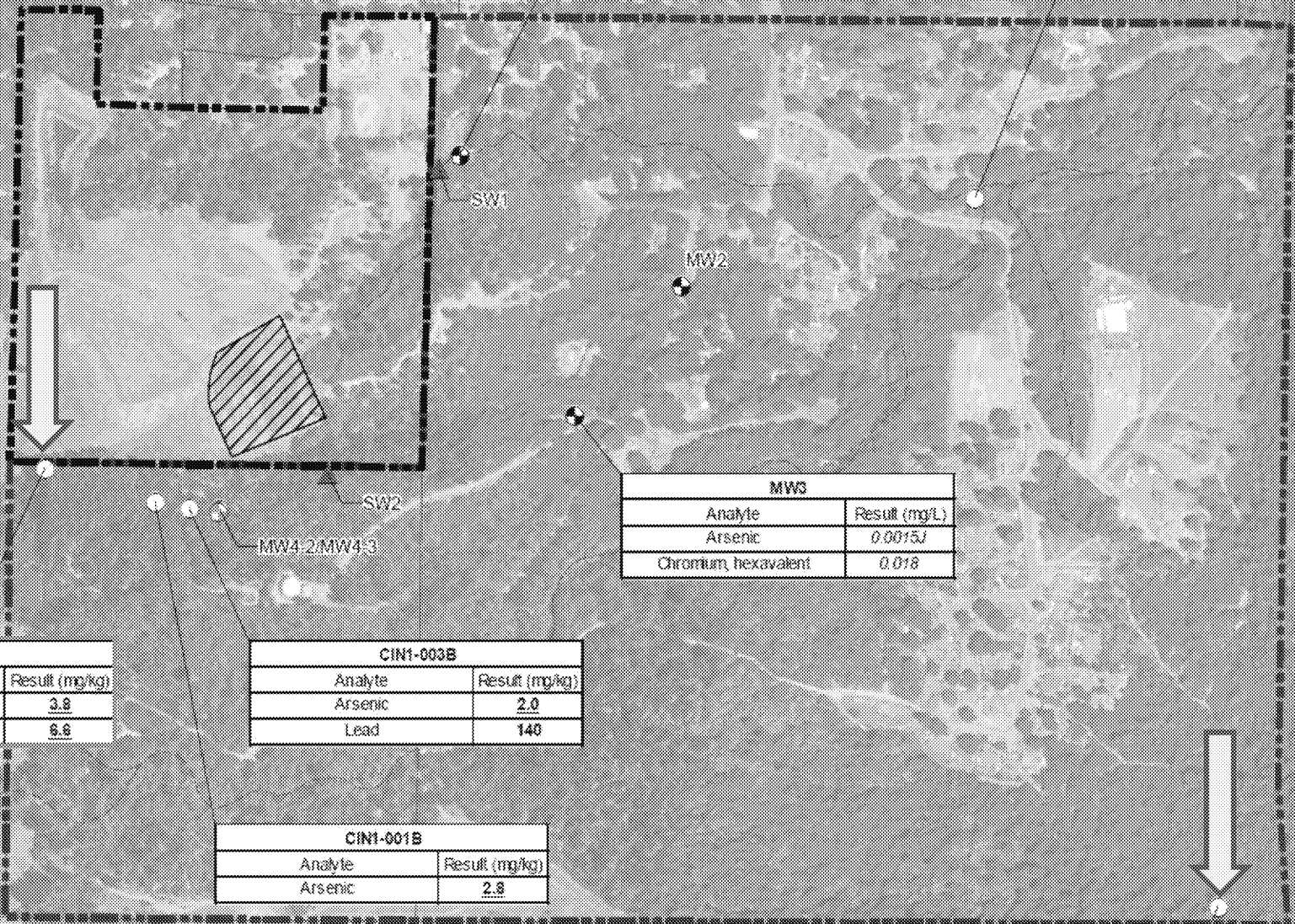
- Title 22 Metals:

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- Samples were taken in a radial pattern based on concentric circles at 10 ft. intervals.

| MW1 | |
|------------|---------------|
| Analyte | Result (mg/L) |
| Chloroform | 0.00042J |

| CIN1-004B | |
|-----------|----------------|
| Analyte | Result (mg/kg) |
| Arsenic | 6.3 |



| CIN1-002B | |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Analyte | Result (mg/kg) |
| Arsenic | 3.8 |
| Chromium, hexavalent | 6.6 |

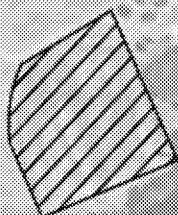
| CIN1-003B | |
|-----------|----------------|
| Analyte | Result (mg/kg) |
| Arsenic | 2.0 |
| Lead | 140 |

| CIN1-001B | |
|-----------|----------------|
| Analyte | Result (mg/kg) |
| Arsenic | 2.8 |

| MW3 | |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Analyte | Result (mg/L) |
| Arsenic | 0.0015J |
| Chromium, hexavalent | 0.018 |

| CIN1-005B | |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Analyte | Result (mg/kg) |
| Arsenic | 2.0 |
| Chromium, hexavalent | 3.6 |

25 SAMPLES



MW1

SW1

CIN1-004B

MW2

MW3

CIN1-002B

SW2

CIN1-001B

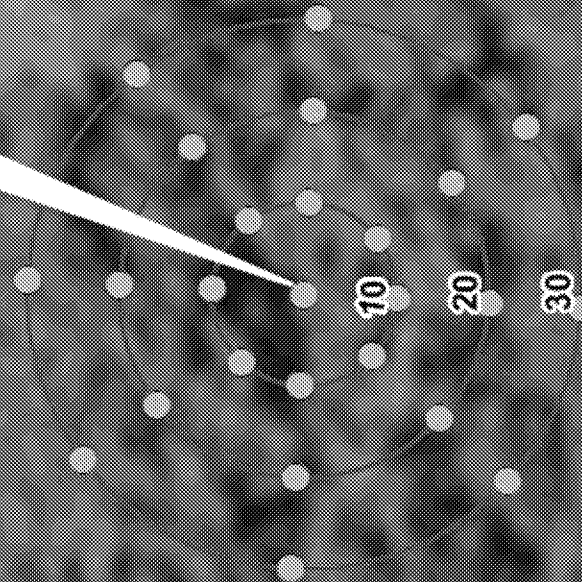
MW4-2/MW4-3

CIN1-003B

CIN1-005B

LANDFILL

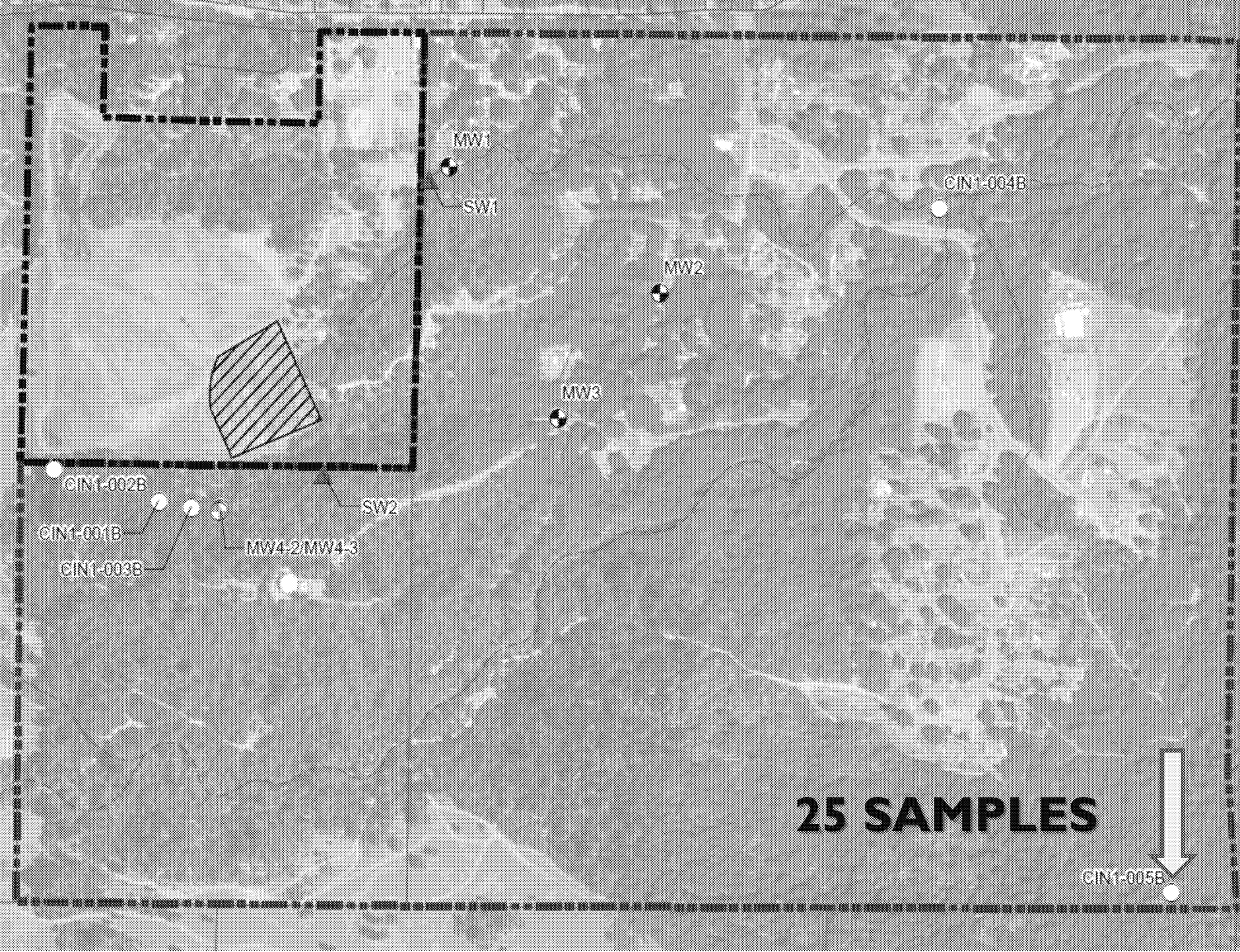
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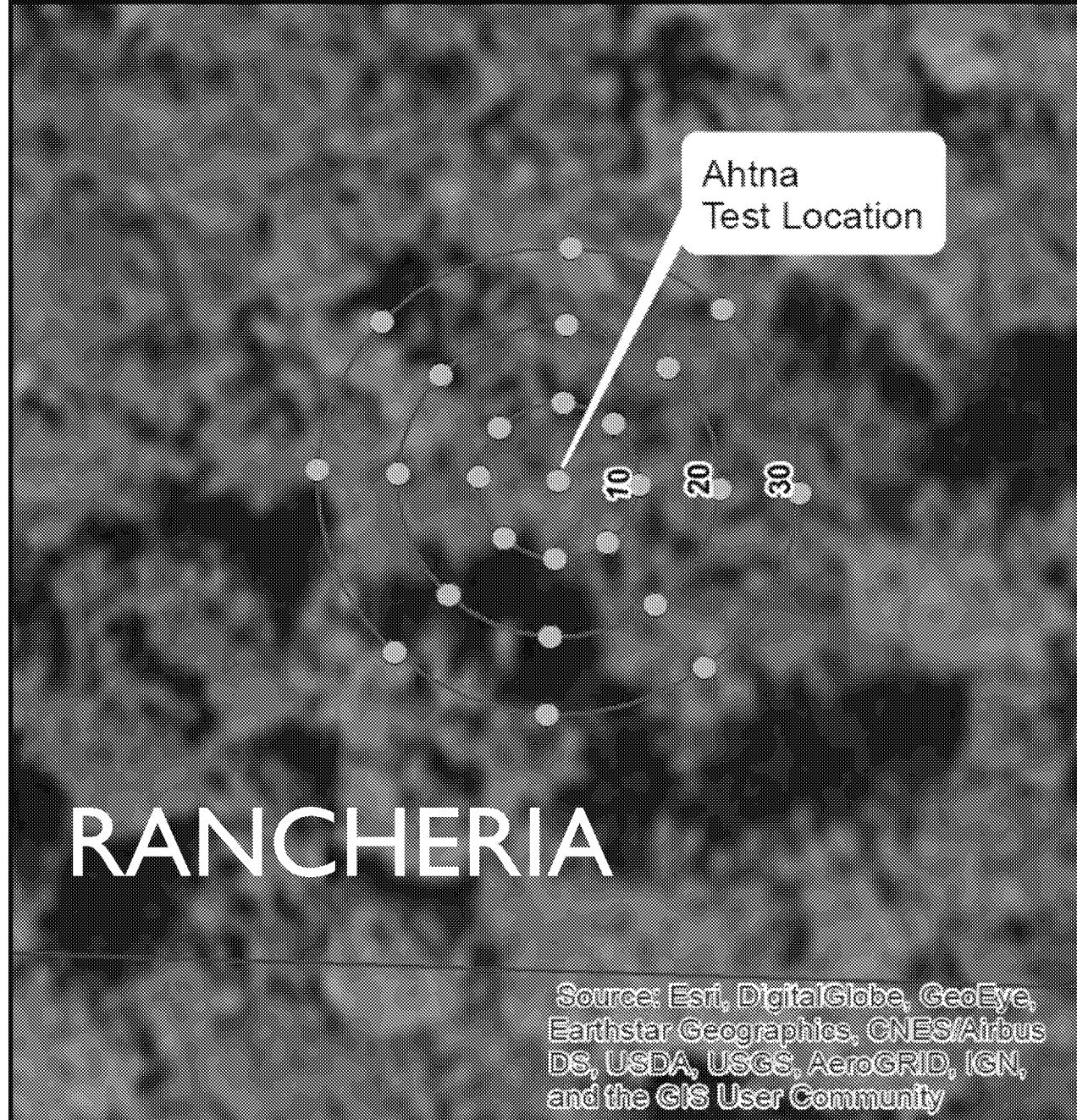


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Ahtna Sample #CIN1-002B



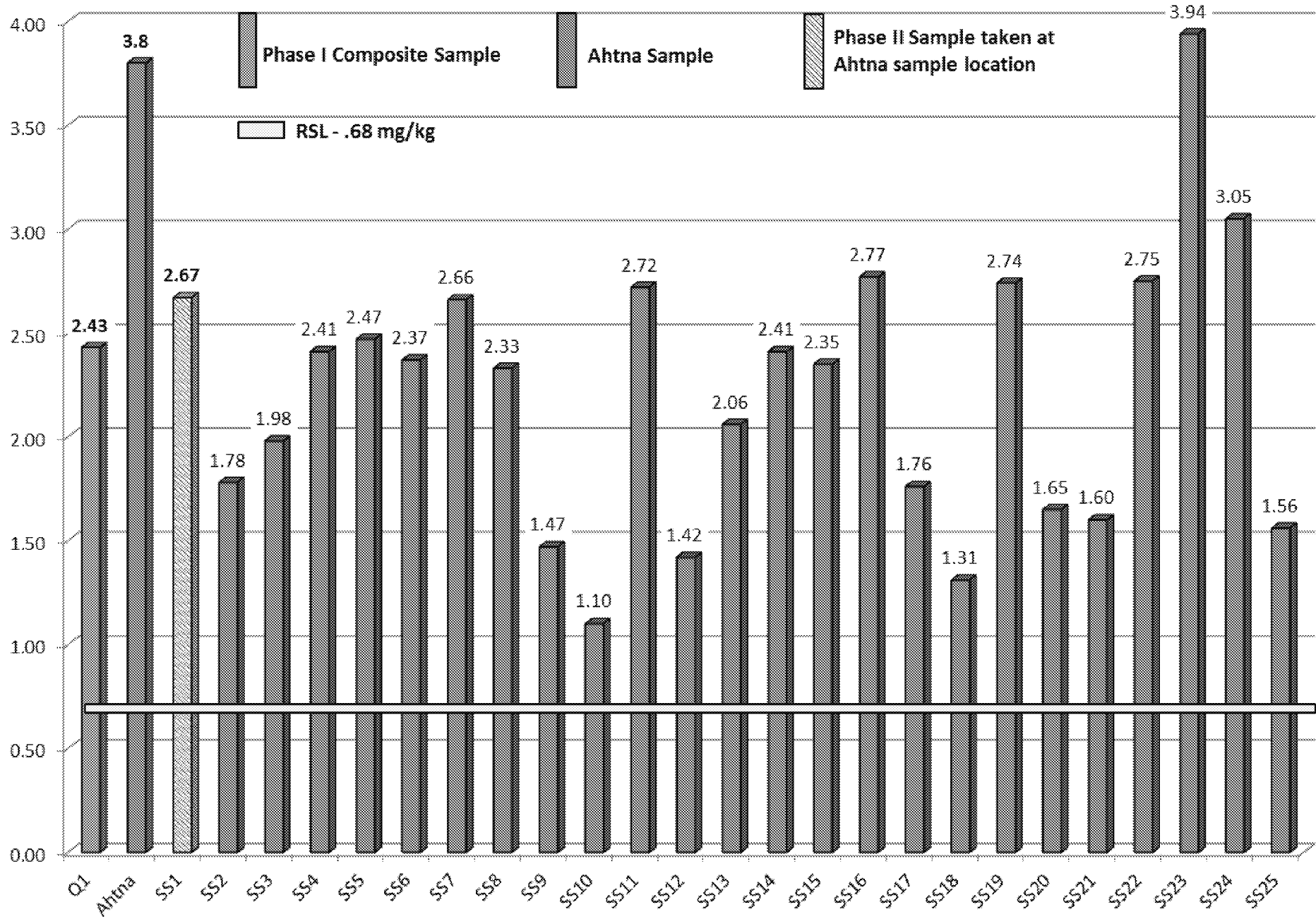


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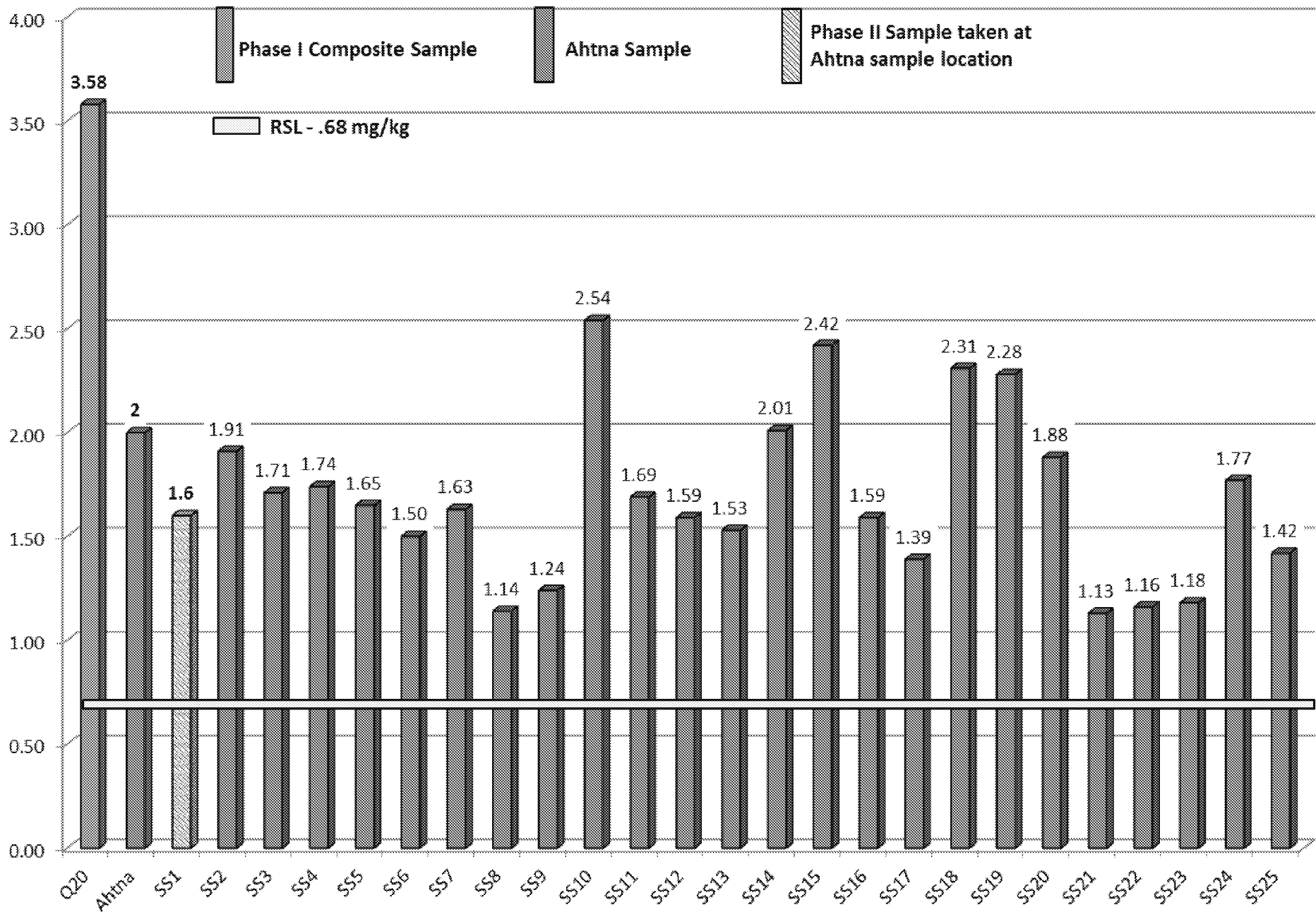
Phase III Test Results - Arsenic

- Soil samples results were similar to Phase I test results (composite samples).
- Test results confirmed presence of Arsenic.

Quadrant 1 - Arsenic



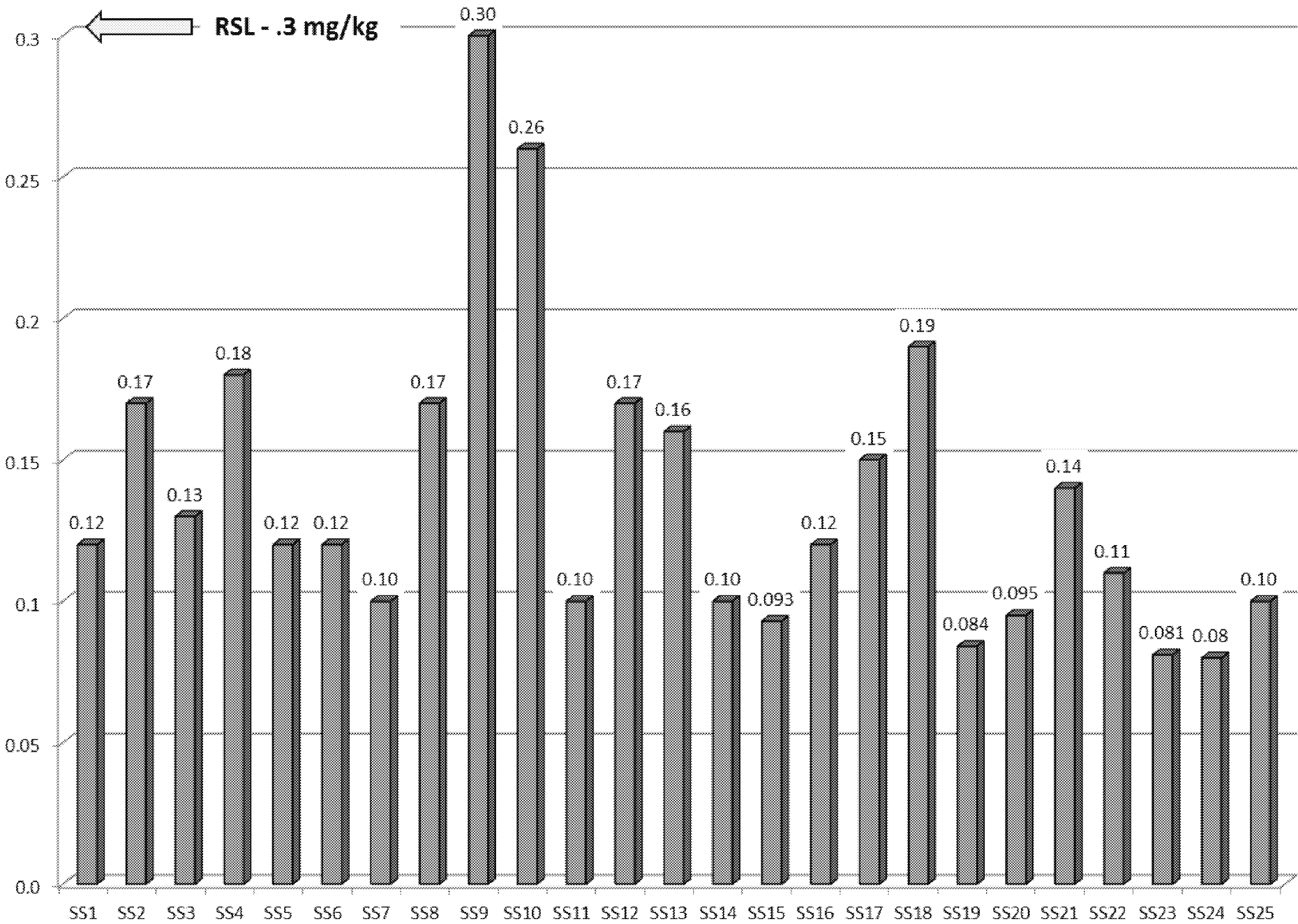
Quadrant 20 - Arsenic



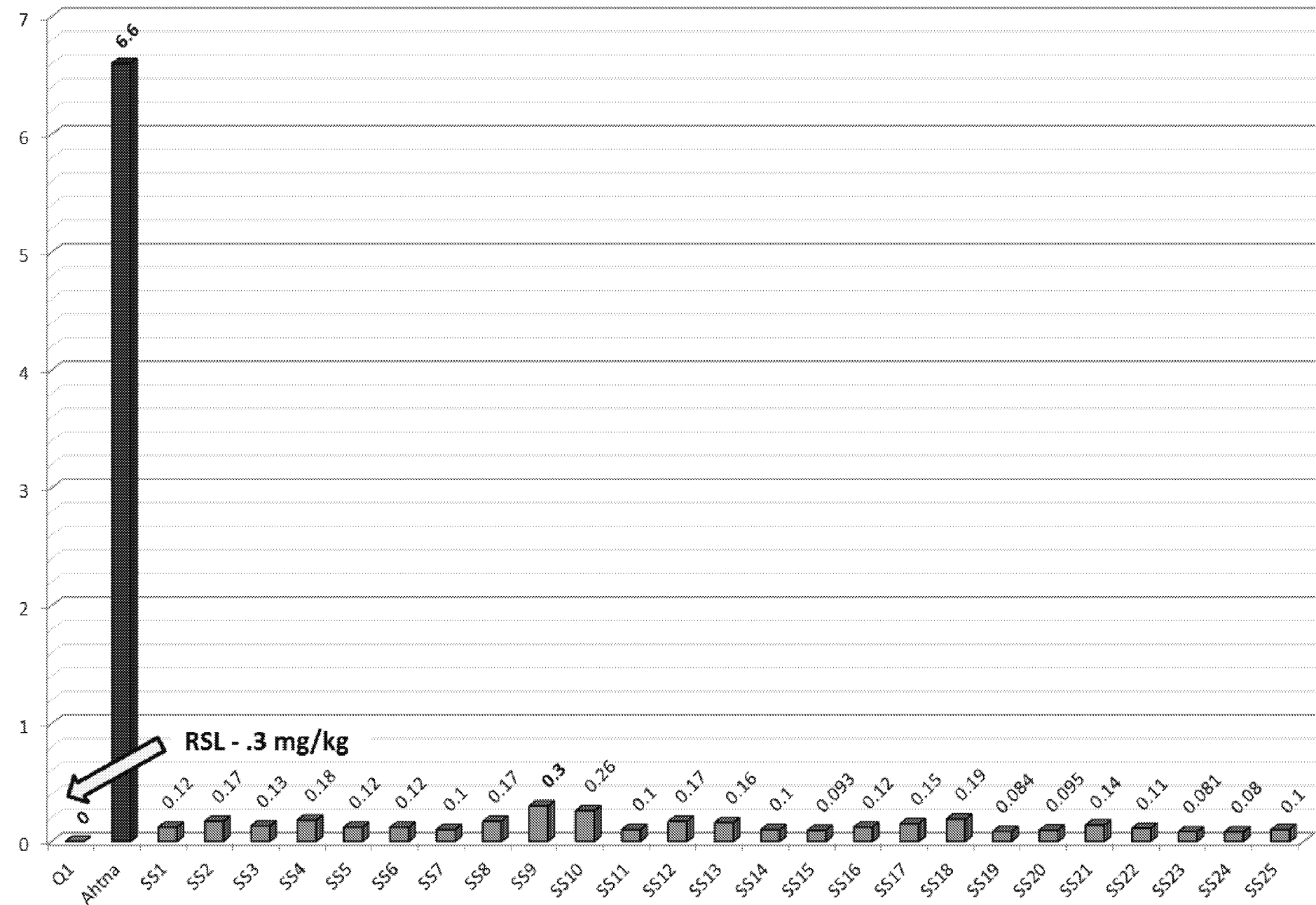
Phase III Test Results – Hexavalent Chromium

- Test results detected Hexavalent Chromium, but at levels well below what was first reported.

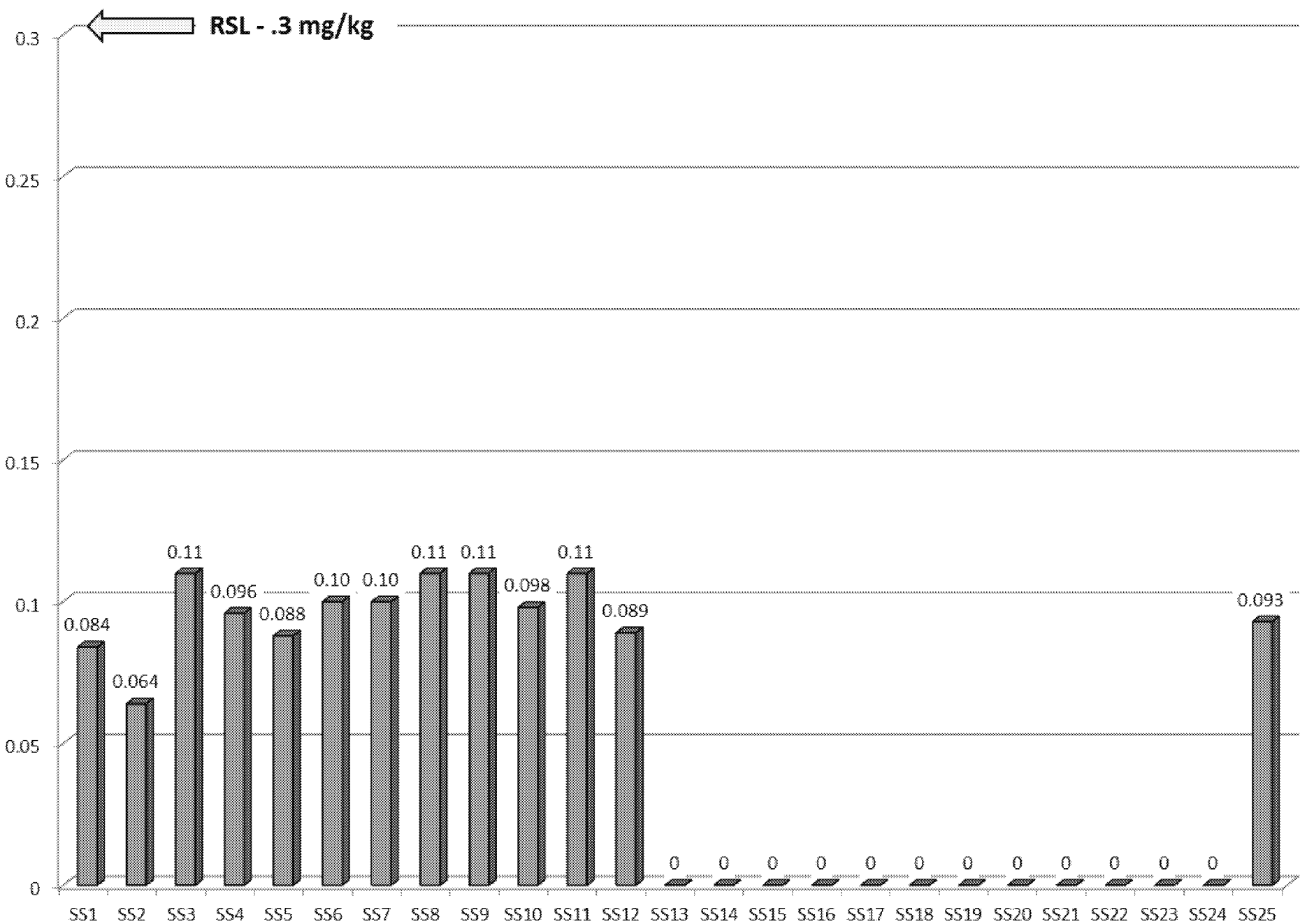
Hexavalent Chromium - Quadrant 1



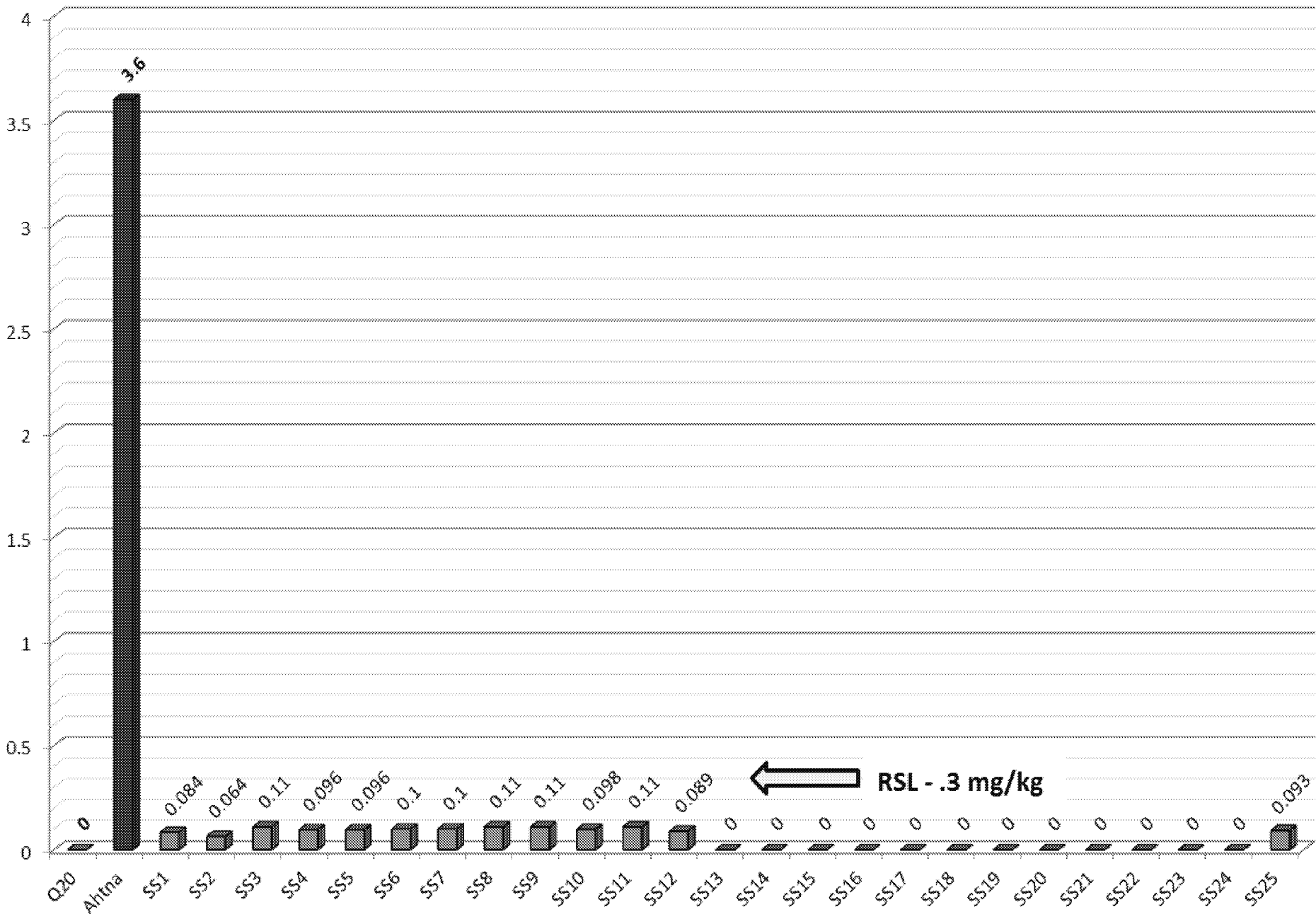
Hexavalent Chromium - Quadrant 1



Hexavalent Chromium - Quadrant 20



Hexavalent Chromium - Quadrant 20



Phase III Test Results

- The test results only indicate that an analyte was or was not found at that location.
- These testing results do not infer or provide a determination as to the source of any detected analyte.



Questions?

Next Steps – Minimizing Exposure

- Air Quality – Burning of trash or other materials can contribute to lower air quality.
- Hazardous Materials – Pesticides, insecticides, and herbicides should be used sparingly and per label instructions.
- Hazardous Materials – Petroleum products or residues should be cleaned up as soon as a spill is noticed.
- Solid waste should be disposed of appropriately.

Next Steps – Minimizing Exposure

- Arsenic – ATSDR Recommendations:
 - Handling treated wood appropriately – gloves, saw dust.
 - Washing hands after handling treated wood or structures made of treated wood if using bare hands.
 - Limit contact with soil by use of dense ground cover, such as a lawn or other vegetation. Other options could include gravel or wood chips.
 - Dust and soil control in and around the home.



Questions?